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Dear Sidney,

A letter came from Zigzagskic in Germany yesterday posing some problem about his returning to normal life. Since I am no longer connected with the government nor even in Washington, I thought it would be wisest to refer the matter to you for you might know someone in the War Department who is responsible for this type of problem.

You recall that Herr Zigzagskic was very helpful to the American Army and Nuremberg prosecution in showing the American investigators where to find certain documents and witnesses for which the Americans were working. When I left Germany Zigzagskic was working on the I.G. Farbenindustrie case with his usual capabilities. I knew nothing further about him until about six months ago he wrote (presumably he got my address from another investigator) that he had retired from the big projects and was now working as a chief intelligence reporter for the MG of a city removed from the area where he had done so much investigative work for the Army investigators.

Zigzagic's letter, written May 31, 1949, indicates that there are a "few symptoms" from which I can suppose that there might be an incident in the next weeks or months, concerning my person. It treats matters in connection with our former cooperation." I assume that he may be afraid that some of the persons sentenced as the result of his testimony may desire either to attack him or drag him down with them. Or it could be worse. It is only on account of the "worse" that I pass this on to the War Department.

From what I can gather Zigzagskic continued his investigative work for nine months or more after I left government service. One would naturally think it more proper for him to contact officials who were working with him later than myself. He writes that he tried that earlier in an effort to get some papers so that he could get married, and was informed through intermediaries that the Americans were "too busy". Now, as he writes it, this graver situation has arisen, and he has no confidence that he can contact any American in Germany who knows his past work.

In view of the foregoing, Sid, I am in no position to judge the merits of this matter, but it did occur to me that it might well be in the interests of the War Department to give Herr Zigzagskic documentation of the simple variety requested and also a reference to whom he can go in the event that extradition to his home land is attempted. He has no such reference now. Certainly some Captain or so in Frankfurt could be given as a reference to brief the local MG authorities if trouble breaks out where Zigzagskic is. The local MGs apparently have little or no info.

One further observation. Herr Z. had in the past an uncanny ability to forecast personal attacks on himself. I can never recall his making a mistake concerning prospective danger to himself. Therefore there may well be something behind his letter.

If for any reason, no one in Washington has any interest in the matter one way or the other, a possible simple partial solution would be for me to make a deposition in New York, and get the seals of the Supreme Court (NY) and State Department on the same, attesting to the fact that Zigzagskic rendered valuable services to the American Army in 1945 and 1946 etc and requesting that any further questions be referred here, & if urgent, through our RCA Representative in Frankfurt am Main.

I shall take no action until hearing from you, with the exception of acknowledging Zigzagskic's letter and indicating that I am considering what, if any, action can be taken.

Sincerely,

*Dick*